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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
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445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: WC Docket No. 14-58

2015 ETC Annual Report of West Kentucky Rural Telephone Coop. Corp.,

Inc. (KY)

Study Area Code 260421

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of West Kentucky Rural Telephone Coop. Corp, Inc. ("Company"), JSI files the attached confidential and redacted versions of the FCC Form 481 ETC annual reporting information pursuant to sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's rules. Company seeks confidential treatment under Protective Order for section 54.313(f)(2) financial information. The redacted version is also being filed this date via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System. In addition, attached is a letter requesting confidential treatment under Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the initial section 54.202(a) of its Progress Report on its Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan and of outage reporting as required by Section 54.313(a)(1).

Please direct any questions regarding the filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

John Kuykendall JSI Vice President 301-459-7590

ikuykendall@jsitel.com

cc: Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division (two copies, confidential)

1 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.422.

3 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.457, 0.459, 54.313(a)(1).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., Protective Order, DA <del>15-712 rel. June 17, 2015</del> (Protective Order). 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(f)(2).



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Study Area Code 260421 Request for Confidentiality

Dear Ms. Dortch:

John Staurulakis, Inc. ("JSI"), on behalf of its client West Kentucky Rural Telephone Coop. Corp., Inc. (the "Company") hereby requests, pursuant to Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules, withholding from public inspection certain information contained in attachments to the above referenced reporting requirement. The Company provides the following in support of its request, numbered consistent with the subparagraphs of Section 0.459(b).<sup>2</sup>

- The information for which the Company is seeking confidential treatment are attachments to the Company's annual reporting information pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's rules ("Report").<sup>3</sup>
- Rate-of-Return Eligible Telecommunications Carriers ("ETCs") must file with the Commission an initial section 54.202(a) Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan ("Five-Year Plan") and must also report outages, both of which are contained in attachments to the 2015 Report.
- 3. The information contained in attachments for which the Company seeks the withholding from public inspection is the entirety of data pertaining to the Company's Five-Year Plan provided at FCC Form 481 Line 112 attachment. The Company also seeks withholding from public inspection data pertaining to the Company's outages provided at FCC Form 481 Line 200 attachment, Service

<sup>1 47</sup> C.F.R. §§ 0.457, 0.459.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 0.459(b)(1) through (9).

<sup>3 47</sup> C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.422.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See In the Matter of Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90, Order DA 14-591 (rel. May 1, 2014).

Outage Reporting. Information of this nature is confidential commercial information routinely withheld from public inspection.

With respect to identifying the degree to which the Five-Year Plan concerns a service that is subject to competition, the Line 112 attachment contains information of a financial and competitive nature regarding the provision of telecommunications services. The Line 112 attachment includes competitively sensitive information related to proposed improvements or upgrades and maintenance the Company's network.

In its March 5, 2013 Order, the FCC. The FCC specified that for rate-of-return carriers, the five-year plans "should describe the carrier's network improvement plan, which should provide greater visibility into current plans to extend broadband service to unserved locations in rate-of-return service territories." Accordingly, because the Company is a rate-of-return carrier, it must file a five-year service improvement plan which contains proprietary, competitively sensitive information related to the Company's existing network including the specific locations of customers as well as describe proposed improvements or upgrades and maintenance of its network throughout its service area. Specifically, this information sets forth services provided by the Company over its existing network including specific locations of customers as well as planned network improvement and maintenance for the years 2015 through 2019 including project start and completion dates, population that will be impacted by the improvements and upgrades at the wire center level and projected capital costs associated with the improvements and upgrades and operating costs associated with maintaining the network including depreciation for investments that have already been made. As such, this information contains competitively sensitive information related to the Company's existing network as well as detailed plans at the wire center level for network upgrades and maintenance projected for the years 2015 through 2019.

With respect to identifying the degree to which the outage data contained in the Line 200 attachment concerns a service that is subject to competition, the information pertains to the network and operations of a telecommunications company that has competitors that could benefit if they were able to have access to this information.

5. With respect to identifying possible exposure to competitive harm, the information contained in the subject attachments is information that is not customarily released to the public. The Five-Year Plan information is proprietary to the Company, is unique to the Company's serving territory and is only known to the Company and its authorized agents. If the Information is not protected, it would have economic value to potential competitors who would be able to target their marketing to specific customers. In a competitive telecommunications marketplace, this type of information is highly sensitive. If publicly disclosed, it would enable competitors to craft business plans that capitalize on their knowledge of the locations of the Company's customers which would place the Company at a competitive disadvantage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket 10-90 et al., Order, DA 13-332 (rel. Mar. 5, 2013) ("March 5, 2013 Order") at para 9 citing Section 54.202(a) (1) (ii).

- 6. With respect to steps the Company has taken to ensure against unauthorized disclosure of the information contained in the attachments, the Company is filing the Five-Year Plan and outage attachments under seal. The Company uses the information contained in the Five-Year Plan to ensure that its customers continue to receive state-of-the-art high quality telecommunications and broadband services that the Company has been providing to them for many years as well as to satisfy mandatory reporting requirements and does not share the information for which protection is sought. The Company protects the secrecy of this information with a security protocol that ensures the information is not inadvertently disclosed or disseminated. Only directors, managers and employees with a direct need to know are authorized to access the information.
- 7. Any previous versions of this information are not publicly available.
- Because the information is not routinely available, a need exists for maintaining the confidentiality of this information permanently.
- 9. The Commission has previously concluded that there is a presumptive likelihood of substantial competitive harm from disclosure of outage information.<sup>6</sup> The Commission also determined the disclosure of outage reporting information to the public could present an unacceptable risk of more effective terrorist activity and could therefore result in potential harm to the public and the national defense.

Based on the preceding, JSI respectfully requests on behalf of the Company that the Commission grant confidential treatment under Section 0.459 to Company's Five-Year Plan provided at FCC Form 481 Line 112 attachment, and to the Company's outage data provided at FCC Form 481 Line 200 attachment.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

John Kuykendall JSI Vice President

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See In the Matter of New Part 4 of the Commission's Rules Concerning Disruptions to Communications, ET Docket No. 04-35, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 04-188, rel. Aug. 19, 2004, para. 45.

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### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

# Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate. Name of Reporting Carrier: Signature of Authorized Officer: Date Printed name of Authorized Officer: Title or position of Authorized Officer: Title or position of Authorized Officer: Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: Filling Due Date for this form: Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

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### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

i certify that (Name of Agent) <u>Tanea Davis Foqlia</u> also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsible agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provide	is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrie ities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorize d to the authorized agent is accurate.
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Name of Reporting Carrier: WEST KENTUCKY RURAL	
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date: 06/22/2015
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Todd Crandall	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: Chief Financial Officer	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 2708569983 ext.	
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### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports f	or CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for un the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my kr	
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Attachments

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# Five-Year Network Improvement Plan and Progress Report

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West Kentucky Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc.'s demonstration of complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules for voice and broadband services:

In establishing this certification in its 2005 ETC Order,<sup>1</sup> the FCC found that an ETC must make "a specific commitment to objective measures to protect consumers." <sup>2</sup> The Commission found that for wireless ETCs, compliance with CTIA's Consumer Code for Wireless Service would satisfy this requirement" and that the sufficiency of other commitments would be considered on a case-by-case basis.<sup>3</sup> In this context, the FCC stated, "to the extent a wireline or wireless ETC applicant is subject to consumer protection obligations under state law, compliance with such laws may meet our requirement."

West Kentucky Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. ("West Kentucky") hereby certifies that it is in compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules. West Kentucky is subject to consumer protection obligations under the Kentucky Revised Statutes (KRS) and Kentucky Administrative Regulations (KAR). These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) filing a Local Exchange Tariff pursuant to the requirements of KRS Chapter 278.541 to 278.544 and 807 KAR 5:011, which disclose rates, terms and conditions of service to customers; (2) adherence to Kentucky state consumer protection requirements governing telephone providers which include Consumer protections as identified in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Report and Order, FCC 05-46 (rel. Mar. 17, 2005) ("2005 ETC Order").

<sup>2</sup> Id. at para. 28.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Id. The FCC noted that under the CTIA Consumer Code, wireless carriers agree to: "(1) disclose rates and terms of service to customers; (2) make available maps showing where service is generally available; (3) provide contract terms to customers and confirm changes in service; (4) allow a trial period for new service; (5) provide specific disclosures in advertising; (6) separately identify carrier charges from taxes on billing statements; (7) provide customers the right to terminate service for changes to contract terms; (8) provide ready access to customer service; (9) promptly respond to consumer inquiries and complaints received from government agencies; and (10) abide by policies for protection of consumer privacy." Id. at n. 71.

KRS Chapter 278.546, Pricing Procedures as illustrated in KRS Chapter 278.542(1), and Compliance with Anti-Slamming Procedures as adopted in KRS Chapter 278.535; (3) truth-in-billing requirements as required in 807 KAR 5:061, Section 13; and (4) CPNI, Red Flag Rules and other applicable federal and state requirements governing the protection of customers' privacy. Additionally, incumbent local exchange carriers are required by 807 KAR 5:061, Section 4(4) to maintain records of and report monthly various service objectives related to the Provision of Service, 807 KAR 5:061, Section 10(1); Dial Service Requirements, 807 KAR 5:061, Section 15(1) and (2); Answering Time, 807 KAR 5:061, Section 22(1) and (2) and Service Interruption, 807 KAR 5:061, Section 25(3) and (4).

West Kentucky is subject to consumer protection obligations for broadband services under federal law. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: public disclosure of accurate information regarding network management practices, performance, and commercial terms of broadband internet access services; as a means of providing sufficient information for consumers to make informed choices regarding use of such services, and for content, application, service and device providers to develop, market, and maintain internet offerings as specified in 47 CFR § 8.3. The Company furthermore will comply with all requirements set forth in the 2015 Open Internet Order when it becomes effective.

West Kentucky Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation's demonstration of ability to function in emergency situations for voice and broadband services:

West Kentucky Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. ("West Kentucky") hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 54.202(a)(2)<sup>1</sup> and the Kentucky Administrative Regulations (KAR), 807 5:061, Section 24. West Kentucky's network is designed to remain functional in emergency situations without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations as required by Section 54.202(a)(2). West Kentucky can change call routing translations as needed to reroute traffic around damaged facilities. Changing call routing translations will also allow West Kentucky to manage traffic spikes throughout its network, as emergency situations require. In addition, West Kentucky has redundancy for connectivity purposes via additional routes and electronic equipment for voice and broadband services.

Specifically, each central office building is supplied with standby generators and battery back-up that enable the central office to keep running until power is restored so long as fuel is available, or until system changes are made to reroute traffic. West Kentucky has battery backup at all office locations and in its electronic equipment sites. Length of run time is determined by the equipment serving the area and the number of customers working out of the equipment. Generators are installed at all Central Office locations. They will continue to run as long as West Kentucky has access to fuel.

Section 54.202(a)(2) requires ETCs that are designated by the Commission to "demonstrate its ability to remain functional in emergency situations, including a demonstration that it has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations."

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KY	Farmington (270-345)		PR	16.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.0
KY	Fairdealing (2/0-354)		FR	16.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.0
KY	Wingo (270-376)		FR	16.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.0
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KY	New Concord (270-436)		FR	16.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.0
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